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For MECHANICAL FASTENING SYSTEM FOR AN ABSORBENT ARTICLE

March 8, 2002

**LETTER IN RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING  
PARTS OF APPLICATION - FILING DATE GRANTED**

TO THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS,

SIR:

In response to the "Notice to File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date Granted," dated February 5, 2002,  
\* enclosed is applicants' signed Declaration and Power of Attorney  
in the above-referenced application. A copy of the Notice is  
\* returned herewith.

\* Also enclosed is a check in payment of the surcharge.

An assignment by the inventor(s) to Kimberly-Clark Worldwide, Inc. is being mailed today.

Respectfully submitted,

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**NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION**

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

**Filing Date Granted**

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
  - To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
  - **The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.**

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

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